

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

ANNUAL COMPLIANCE REVIEW, 2021

Docket No. ACR2021

**RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO
QUESTION 1 OF CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 20**

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to the above-listed question of Chairman's Information Request No. 20, issued on February 22, 2022.

The question is stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. Please refer to the Postal Service's response to Chairman's Information Request No. 8, question 4,¹ which presents—under the Postal Service's new geographic organization—regions, divisions, and districts that experienced employee availability under 70 percent in FY 2021. Please provide an updated table reflecting all districts that experienced monthly employee availability levels of less than 70 percent during FY 2021 using the Postal Service's legacy geographic organization (*i.e.*, the geographic organization in place prior to FY 2021).

RESPONSE:

As the Commission has recognized, the Postal Service provided the requested, detailed employee availability data in response to Question 4 of Chairman's Information Request No. 8 under the current organizational structure of the Postal Service. Even deploying reasonable efforts, however, it is not feasible to provide the same requested data using the predecessor organizational structure. As a threshold matter, simply to attempt such an exercise would consume considerable Postal Service staff time and would not yield reliable results. This is because the employee availability data are organized in the eFLASH system using the current District structure. Within that system, certain Finance numbers have been combined or modified, and other new ones have been created. Mapping of the current Finance numbers is available to ZIP Codes, but not necessarily to the predecessor Finance numbers. To attempt to organize the data based on the predecessor structure, the Postal Service would need to build new datasets that group the Finance number data within the former 67-District structure. Nevertheless, the resulting product would not permit an accurate report of employee availability under the

¹ Responses of the United States Postal Service to Questions 1-19 of Chairman's Information Request No. 8, February 4, 2022, question 4.

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former District structure. Notwithstanding the Finance numbers, some of the requested employee availability data (leave hours) under the current District structure would not map back to the former District structure; as part of the restructuring, various staff were redistributed into the Headquarters organization, rather than the new Districts.